

EPA; Scott Masten, Senior Scientist, National Toxicology Program, National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences, NIH, Department of Health and Human Services; and public witnesses.

VETERANS MEASURES; PERSONALITY DISORDERS AND VA BENEFITS

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Ordered reported the following: Draft Legislation to be introduced; H.R. 3685, To require the Secretary of Veterans affairs to include on the main page of the Internet website of the Department of Veterans Affairs a hyperlink to the VetSuccess Internet website and to publicize such Internet website; H.R. 5360, as amended, Blinded Veterans Adaptive Housing Improvement Act of 2010; H.R. 5630, To amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for qualifications for vocational rehabilitation counselors and vocational rehabilitation employment coordinators employed by the Department of Veterans Affairs; H.R. 3787, as amended, To amend title 38, United States Code, to deem certain service in the reserve components as active service for purpose of laws administered by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs; and H.R. 5993, as amended, SAVINGS Act of 2010.

The Committee also held a hearing on Personality Disorder Dischargers: Impact on Veterans' Benefits. Testimony was heard from Debra A. Draper, Director, Health Care, GAO; the following officials of the Department of Defense: Lernes J. Hebert, Acting Director, Officer/Enlisted Personnel Management; and MG Gina S. Farrisee, USA, Director, Military Personnel Management, G-1, U.S. Army; Antonette Zeiss, Acting Director, Chief Patient Care Services, Officer for Mental Health, Office of Patient Care Services, Veterans Health Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs; a representative of a veterans organization; and public witnesses.

CHINA'S EXCHANGE RATE POLICY

Committee on Ways and Means: Held a hearing on China's Exchange Rate Policy. Testimony was heard from Representatives Ryan of Ohio, Smith of Nebraska, Boccheri and Jenkins; and public witnesses.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

BRIEFING—HOT SPOTS

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Subcommittee on Terrorism, Human Intelligence, Analysis, and Counterintelligence met in executive session to receive a briefing on Hot Spots. The Subcommittee was briefed by departmental witnesses.

Joint Meetings

MINORITY POLITICS AND PRESSURES

Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe: Commission held a briefing on minority politics, minority pressures in the Obama Era, including successes and challenges to the inclusion and effective participation of racial and ethnic minorities in the political sphere, from Representative Barbara Lee; and Gay McDougall, United Nations Independent Expert on Minority Issues, New York, New York.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 16, 2010

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, Education, and Related Agencies, to hold hearings to examine the promise of human embryonic stem cell research, 10 a.m., SD-124.

Full Committee, business meeting to markup proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2011 for the Department of Defense and the Legislative Branch, 2 p.m., SD-106.

Committee on Armed Services: to hold hearings to examine the current security situation on the Korean Peninsula; with the possibility of a closed session in SVC-217 following the open session, 9:30 a.m., SD-106.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: to hold hearings to examine the Treasury Department's report on international economic and exchange rate policies, 10 a.m., SD-538.

Committee on the Budget: to hold hearings to examine the nomination of Jacob J. Lew, of New York, to be Director of the Office of Management and Budget, 9 a.m., SD-608.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Subcommittee on Aviation Operations, Safety, and Security, to hold an oversight hearing to examine the Metropolitan Washington Airports Authority, Reagan Washington National Airport and the Perimeter Rule, 2:30 p.m., SR-253.

Committee on Foreign Relations: business meeting to consider Treaty between the United States of America and the Russian Federation on Measures for the Further Reduction and Limitation of Strategic Offensive Arms, signed in Prague on April 8, 2010, with Protocol (Treaty Doc. 111-05), 9:30 a.m., SD-419.

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: to hold hearings to examine the nomination of Jacob J. Lew, of New York, to be Director of the Office of Management and Budget, 3 p.m., SD-342.

Committee on the Judiciary: business meeting to consider S. 3675, to amend chapter 11 of title 11, United States Code, to address reorganization of small businesses, S. 3717, to amend the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Investment Company Act of 1940, and the Investment Advisers Act of 1940 to provide for certain disclosures